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Revenue Commissioner in Mysore.

TO

J.Appaji Gowda.Esq.B.A.(Hons).
Chief Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore
Bangalore

Subject:— Village group contact scheme - Harihar.

I have the honour to forward herewith a copy of a brief report on the working of the Village group contact scheme, Harihar taluk submitted to me by the Amildar during my recent visit to Harihar,for information of Government.

It is gratifying to note that the scheme is working satisfactorily.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Revenue Commissioner
& Civil Liaison Officer.

G.R.

Village Group Contact Scheme, Harihar Taluk.

Brief Report.

General:

In obedience to the D.O. letter No. C.C.87/41-42 dated - - 30-9-1942 received from the Deputy Commissioner, Chitaldrug District, in the matter of formation of Committees under this Scheme, two - Committees called the Harihar and Hanagavadi Committees were formed on 6-10-1942 and the Military authorities were advised about it. - They also took action and formed their Committees among the G.P.T. Companies and detailed them of. The Harihar Committee consists of 8 influential members, all residents of Harihar Town, but, owning lands involved in and surrounding the Military Camp. The Hanagavadi Committee also consists of 8 influential members who are the residents of Hanagavadi, Shamsipur and Belludi villages which also surround this camp.

Inauguration:

The Deputy Commissioner was pleased to inaugurate the Scheme at the/Harihar Town Hall on 30-10-1942 in the presence of the Committee members and the Military Officers including the Officer Commanding, Harihar Military Station, namely, Lieut. Col. D.M. Williams, - - R.I.A.S.C.

Meetings and entertainments:

Since the inception of the scheme, monthly group contact - meetings out of which two meetings have been individual to the two Committees and the remaining two combined ones. Along with the meetings there were Tea parties to entertain troops, three being on behalf of the two Committees and one on benalf of the Military. - There was also an Indian Dinner arranged in honour of the British Officers at which the Officer Commanding, Harihar Military Station, was the chief guest.

Funds:

Funds have been collected from local subscriptions and they amount to Rs. 232-12-0 as against Rs. 23-15-0 spent so far in this - connection. The amount is kept in Treasury Savings Bank Account

P.T.O.

Account Number 111.

Other activities:

Under the Scheme, there has also been sports activities, mostly foot-ball. There were in all nine football matches between the Military and Harihar Town Teams. Out of them, the Harihar Town Teams won in three matches and the Military in 2 matches, the remaining four being drawn matches. Whenever these matches took place on Harihar Ground, the Military-Personnel of the contesting teams were entertained under the Village Contact Scheme, they in turn entertaining our teams on their fields.

In addition to the above, the Military authorities have been inviting all the members of the Committees on occasions of important Military Parades, functions and concerts.

Results of working of the scheme:

The Scheme has thus been working very satisfactorily and the result has proved very beneficial to both the Military and the Civil population. There has grown a definite bond of sympathy, co-operation and friendsly amiability between us, so much so, that there have been very few cases in which the civil population have had to complain against the behaviour of the troops or officers. On the other hand, the Military authorities have been kind enough to assist us whenever we have needed their help and especially in lending their lorries to transport rice from Shiralkoppa, thereby easing the Rice difficulties in Harihar Taluk. Further, as a result of these contract meetings and the cordiality that has developed, they have posted Garrison Military Police (G.M.P.) permanently in Harihar, and (recently) in Davangere Towns to check up their troops day and night. They have made the towns, the surrounding villages, brothel houses, etc., out of bounds for their troops and every night a responsible officer is deputed to check them up, to prevent possible mischief. No sepoy can be found in Harihar or Davangere Towns or their places of entertainment except under a pass duly issued to him.

Conclusion:

The Scheme is in force in respect of 'A' M.T. Training Group only. 'C' M.T. Training is still under construction. Contact Committees will be formed after the location of troops in this Camp.

(Sd)

Amildar,
Harihar Taluk, 17-2-1943

Submitted to the Revenue Commissioner in Mysore, Bangalore, for kind information.

(Sd)

Amildar,
Harihar Taluk,
17-2-1943.

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For Revenue Commissioner
and Civil Liaison Officer.